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ASSERTION OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.27 (c)(1), Applicant hereby asserts entitlement to small entity status in the above-identified application.

Respectfully submitted,

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